

Second Sunday of Advent, 8th December, 2024

Sunday Worship times

Burnie 9:30am

(Pastor led service 2nd and 4th Sundays,
Lay-led services on other Sundays)

Devonport: 2pm (2nd and 4th Sundays
only)

Launceston: 10am

(Pastor led service 1st and 3rd Sundays,
Lay-led services on other Sundays)

Welcome and thank you for joining us.

If you're visiting us today, we would love to
chat more with you.

Please join us for morning tea after service if
you are able.

If you're planning to attend Holy Communion,
when it's offered, please take note of what we
believe (see the back page).

Pastor's sermons are available on our parish
website.

Readings for the 8th December, 2024

Malachi 3:1-4 The day of judgement is near

Luke 1:68-79

Philippians 1:3-11 Be ready for the day of Christ

Luke 3:1-6 All people will see the salvation of our
God

Songs

LHS 2 O come, O come Immanuel

LHS 1 Hark, a herald voice is calling

LHS 13 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

AT 25 Comfort, comfort

Readings for the 15th December, 2024

Zephaniah 3:14-20 The Lord will renew us
by his love

Isaiah 12:2-6

Philippians 4:4-7 Rejoice! The Lord is near

Luke 3:7-18 What must we do?

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Parish Website: www.northtaslutheran.org.au

Podcasts: Here She Stands Podcast (with Lexy Bourne) <https://youtube.com/@HereSheStandsPodcast>
Ready for Church (with Pastor Sam and Ruby)
<https://www.youtube.com/@readyforchurchpodcast>

Facebook: Lutherans In Tasmania <https://www.facebook.com/groups/507445136934687>

LCA eNews: <https://www.lca.org.au/lcaenews/>

Bulletin: Produced every Saturday. Please have all notices to Donna by Friday.
Email donnalealees@gmail.com or call 0418 307 369.



Martin Luther Lutheran Church, 14 Mooreville Road, Burnie.
Trinity Lutheran Church, 93 Forbes St, Devonport.
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 225 St John Street, Launceston.

Parish Announcements

Bible Studies

Please note the weekly bible study times below for each congregation. All are welcome.

Burnie: Thursday, 6pm.

Devonport: Tuesday, 11am.

Launceston: Wednesday, 5:15pm.

Prayer Points

- For our hearts and minds as we prepare ourselves in this season of Advent.
- Please continue to pray for our Bishop, our Pastor and their families.
- Please continue to pray for guidance and wisdom for each other and our congregations, as we discuss our position with the LCA.
- For those suffering with ill health.
- For those who are grieving, and facing their first Christmas without a loved one.
- For peace in countries where there is unrest, conflict and war.

Worship at Home

For anyone unable to attend worship, please remember the resources on the LCA website. The Church@Home page has a number of links to live-streamed services each week.

<https://www.lca.org.au/worship/wpp/churchhome/>

Sickness

Please be considerate of our elderly and medically vulnerable members - remember good hand hygiene, and please stay home if you have symptoms of a contagious sickness.

Daily Bible Reading 9/12/24-15/12/24

Monday	James 3:13 – 4:12
Tuesday	James 4:13 – 5:6
Wednesday	James 5:7–12
Thursday	James 5:13–20
Friday	Ephesians 1:1–14
Saturday	Isaiah 12:2–6
Sunday	Luke 3:7–18

Launceston Announcements:

Notice about Congregational Meeting

The vote whether to remain with the LCA on 15th December will be **an indication only** of how members are inclined.

Because the meeting was not discussed or decided upon at Church Council October meeting, the vote would not be a legally constituted one. Our church council will need to convene a meeting to allow this to happen.

Burnie Announcements

Memorial Service for Guy Phillips

A memorial service for Guy Phillips will be held here at Martin Luther Burnie on Friday, 13th December at 2 pm. Guy passed away at the Burnie hospital in November.

Congregational Meeting, Saturday, 14th December, 2024

This meeting starts at 11am. The chief matter to be discussed is "Our congregational membership in the LCA." We encourage as many to attend as possible.

Prayer Group

Prayer Group is on a short hiatus until the New Year (watch this space for a return date.) A breakup meal was enjoyed together last week; a big thanks to Pete and Kay for hosting us.

Garage Sale Dates 2025

Our garage sale will be held Saturday, 22nd February and Saturday, 1st March from 8am-12pm.

Please leave any donated items in the cornered off area downstairs. (No clothing or large furniture items please). If members find items they would like to purchase before the garage sale, please Glen for payment.

Rosters for 15th December 2024

Cleaning/MTea: Lees **Piano:** Donna **Lay Reader:** Ray A.

Readings: Jana **Prayer:** Tas/Lexy

Flowers: Donna (A) Vonnie (F)

Bulletin emails

If you would like the bulletin emailed to you weekly, please contact Donna at donnaalees@gmail.com or on 0418 307 369.

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*When it is offered: In **Holy Communion*** (the Lord's Supper) we receive together with the bread and wine the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins. Those who receive the sacrament worthily are those who repent of their sin, trust in Jesus Christ as their only Lord and Saviour, recognise his real presence in the sacrament, and intend to lead a holy life in obedience to God's word. If you are not a communing member of the Lutheran Church of Australia, would you please speak to the pastor before the worship service.*

**Holy Communion is currently withheld at the moment. Please speak with Pastor Sam if you have enquiries about this.*

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In observing Christ's command to love one another, we're to treat each other with respect and dignity. In honouring people, we're also fulfilling our responsibility under the law of the land. The LCA is committed to providing a safe church environment for children, youth, and all vulnerable people who are present at its activities. If anyone feels they've been subjected to sexual abuse or harassment in any form by anyone who holds a position of trust in the church, please contact: P: 1800 644 628 (free call)

E: report.abuse@safeplace.lca.org.au